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KARNATAKA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

*Monday, the 3rd July 1978/Ashada 12, 1900 S.E.*

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, at One of the Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER (SRI P. VENKATARAMANA) in the Chair]

**STARRED QUESTIONS**

(to which oral answers were given)

MR. SPEAKER.—On behalf of Sri Bhimanna Khandre, Sri Govind P. Vadeyaraj may put the question.

**Complaints about seeds distributed in Bidar District**

33 SRI BHIMANNA KHANDRE (Bhalki).—Will the Minister of State for Regulated Markets be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Agriculturists of Bidar District lodged complaints about the Seed distribution and the exorbitant rates at which seeds were distributed;

(b) if so, whether any enquiry into the matter was conducted;

(c) if so, the action the Government has taken in the matter;

(d) whether it is not a fact that the Chief Minister of Karnataka had agreed and passed orders for waiving off the interest charged for four years on seed loans;

(e) whether his orders were subsequently reversed?

SRI K. H. RANGANATH (Minister for Agriculture and Parliamentary Affairs) [on behalf of SRI A. B. JAKANUR (Minister of State for Regulated Markets)].—

(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.

SRI K. H. RANGANATH.—Somehow it is wrongly printed. It relates to me and I will answer this question.

SRI GOVIND P. VADEYARAJ.—There are lot of complaints from the public regarding the seed distribution, and the exorbitant rates at which the seeds were distributed. The Hon'ble Minister in his reply has stated that there were no complaints from the public. I would like to know how you would like to receive the complaints? Is it not sufficient if the public made complaints?

† SRI K. H. RANGANATH.—I cannot understand the question. The answer is quite specific—complaints are not received by the Government.

SRI GOVIND P. VADEYARAJ.—Whenever the Hon'ble Chief Minister and other Ministers have visited that place, the public have represented that the seeds were not properly distributed etc., If there were seeds available in small quantity, those seeds were sold in black market. That is the complaint that has been lodged by the public.

SRI K. H. RANGANATH.—Seeds were properly distributed. There was an adequate supply of seed distribution and there was no complaint in this respect to the Government.

SRI GOVIND P. VADEYARAJ.—Complaints have been made to the Hon'ble Chief Minister also. Has it not come to the notice of the Hon'ble Minister?

SRI K. H. RANGANATH.—Sir, some times people have drawn the loan for the purchase of seeds to the extent of Rs. 10,000 per individual. Therefore, it cannot be said that inadequate supply of seed was there.

SRI GOVIND P. VADEYARAJ.—At least will the Government take note of this fact now and institute proper inquiry into the mal-distribution of seeds and also shortage of seeds in Bidar District?

SRI K. H. RANGANATH.—I don't feel the necessity of it.

#### **Sites allotted and Houses built by Bangalore Development Authority**

194. SHRI T. R. SHAMANNA (Basavanagudi).—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of sites allotted by the Bangalore Development Authority;

(1) As general allotment;

(2) As stray sites from the last 4 years;

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† Indicate that remarks or speeches have not been revised by the member concerned,